REMARKS

This is in response to the Office Action dated February 16, 2005, which indicated a requirement for restriction of the claims. The Office Action identified claim Group I (claims 1-6), claim Group II (claims 7-8), claim Group III (claims 9-13), claim Group IV (claim 14) and claim Group V (claims 15-17), and indicated that these five Groups are patentably distinct each from the other for the reasons set forth in the Office Action.

In response to this restriction requirement, Applicant elects claims 1-6 for further prosecution in the present application. Claims 7-8, 9-13, 14, and 15-17, therefore, are canceled from the present application without prejudice, and Applicants reserving the right in continuing the prosecution of such claims in the filing of divisional applications.

Allowance of all claims remaining under consideration herein is hereby respectfully requested.

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